GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ARREST OF HIJACKERS
VIJAY GOEL

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have arrested hijackers of Indian Airlines Plane IC-814;

(b) if so, the details in this regard alongwith the present status of the matter;

(c) whether the Government have asked some other countries to help in arresting the hijackers; and

(d) if so, the names of such countries and the extent of cooperation extended by them?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): No Sir, the five hijackers of Indian Airlines plane IC 814 of 24.12.1999 have not been arrested so far.

(b): CBI has filed a chargesheet in the Designated Court under the Anti Hijacking Act at Patiala, Punjab on 21.06.2000 against 10 accused persons, including the 5 hijackers. Three of these have been arrested and are in judicial custody.

(c)&(d): The arrest warrants issued by the Judge, Designated Court at Patiala against the absconding accused, including 5 hijackers were sent to INTERPOL Islamabad to trace, arrest and extradite the absconding accused. Also, INTERPOL Headquarters in Lyons has issued Red Corner Notices with photographs and other details of the hijackers and the absconding accused to all Member countries requesting them to trace and arrest the hijackers and their associates. Efforts are also being made through Diplomatic channels to trace the accused.